AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The following is a replacement for Paragraph 0021 marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version.

0021. Further, assembly 10 includes a flexible plate member 32 which is coupled ton-on the torque converter 14 by the use of a plurality of substantially identical fastener members 34, 36, 37, 39 each of which traverses a unique one of the rotor apertures, such as 28, 30, thereby physically isolating or decoupling the rotor 20 from the torque converter 14 since the respective diameters of each of the rotor apertures, such as apertures 28, 30, are substantially larger than the respective diameters of each of the fasteners 34, 36, 37, 39. Further, the rotor 20 is coupled to the crankshaft 12 by the use of a plurality of substantially identical fastener members, such as members 40, 42, each of which traverse the plate member 32. In one non-limiting embodiment, fasteners 34, 36, 37, 39, 40 and 42 are substantially identical. In another non-limiting embodiment rotor 20 and plate 32 may be integrally formed or coupled by other types of fasteners, thereby obviating the need for fasteners 40, 42 to traverse the plate member 32. Alternatively, the rotor 20 and plate 32 may be interlocked.

DRAWING AMENDMENTS

Applicant proposes to amend Fig. 2 by extending the lead lines from 28 and 30 as shown in red on the copy of that figure that accompanies this Amendment.